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1. The following troop trains passed through the Satzkorn railroad station on 22 and 23 January 1954:

At 1:30 p.m. on 22 January. A train of 11 boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars carrying 6 x 120-mm mortars; 6 x 82-mm mortars; 3 x 57-mm AT guns; 1 repair shop truck; 2 field kitchens; 1 ambulance; and 43 trucks. The train went toward Jueterbog.

At 2 a.m. on 23 January. A train of 8 boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars carrying 3 x 132-mm rocket launchers; 1 x 76.2-mm field gun; 1 sedan; and 30 trucks. The train came from the direction of Jueterbog and went toward Dallgow. 1 25X1

2. At 7 a.m. on 23 January, a troop train of 11 boxcars and an undetermined number of flatcars was standing at the Krennen railroad station. The train was headed toward Berlin and carried about 15 x 120-mm mortars; at least 2 x 57-mm AT guns; and 20 trucks, 2 25X1

3. The following troop trains were loaded at the Dallgow railroad station and left toward Forst Zinna on 14 and 15 January:

On 14 January. A train of 11 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar, 2 flatcars and 1 SSY-type flatcar with about 250 troops, including about 75 percent recruits, wearing red-bordered black epaulets; 8 x 76.2-mm field guns; 8 x 85-mm AT guns; and 34 trucks. Another train of 12 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar, 1 flatcar, and 22 SSY-type flatcars with about 250 troops, including 75 percent recruits, wearing red-bordered black epaulets; 8 x 100-mm AT guns; 6 x 76.2-mm AT guns; and 30 trucks.

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On 15 January. A train of 10 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar, 10 flatcars and 15 SSY-type flatcars with about 200 troops, including about 75 percent recruits, wearing red-bordered black epaulets; 6 x 100-mm AT guns; 4 x 76.2-mm AT guns; prime movers and 27 trucks,

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4. Troop trains loaded at the Dallgow railroad station and leaving toward Justerbog-Altes Lager on 20 January included: a train of 8 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar, and 31 flatcars with about 180 troops, including about 75 percent recruits, wearing red-bordered black epaulets; 8 x 76.2-mm field guns; 3 x 132-mm rocket launchers; and 33 trucks;¹ and another train of 6 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar, 18 flatcars and 5 SSY-type flatcars with 150 troops, including about 100 recruits, wearing red-bordered black epaulets; 10 x 57-mm AT guns; and 25 trucks.

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5. Between 22 and 24 January, the following columns came from the direction of Wassmannsdorf and drove toward Gruanau:

At about 10 a.m. on 22 January. About 10 trucks, with soldiers and tents.

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At about 11 a.m. on 22 January. Ten to 12 trucks with soldiers, tents, and mattress covers.

At about noon on 22 January. About 10 trucks, with soldiers.

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At 9:30 a.m. on 23 January. Three armored weapon carriers with mounted twin-barrel machine guns.

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6. At about 11 p.m. on 19 January, 30 to 40 tanks and trucks passed through Ahrensfelde. The column came from the direction of Bernau and drove toward Wuhlheide. On 20 January, tanks coming from the direction of Werneuchen drove toward Karlshorst during the night of 19 January. 5

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7. Soviet officers' dependents on their way to Germany were halted in Brest Litovsk and returned to their home towns. officers who had to enlist with the occupation forces for another two years made purchases which usually precede repatriation. 6

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8. On 1 January, during the last weeks, at least 200 officers' dependents arrived at Neuruppin. At first, it was planned to vacate 400 residences for Soviet officers' families. The further arrival of Soviet officers' dependents from the USSR, however, was stopped up to 1 May. 6 In mid-January, a marriage between a Soviet senior lieutenant and a 17-year old German girl in Neuruppin was noted for the first time.

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Comment. According to vehicle [] a troop train of the 12th Gds Tank Div which went either to Altengrabow or to Jueterbog. The train is reported for the first time.

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Comment. On 17 January 1954, [] a reinforced tank company of the 93rd Tank Regt of the 6th Gds Mecz Div from the insane asylum at Wuhlgarten driving in the opposite direction. [] The present report indicates that the above unit either returned from a field exercise or relieved another unit of the same regiment.

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Comment. As the information was received from two army areas, it appears possible that the order forbidding Soviet dependents to enter East Germany was decreed for the entire zone. This measure may have resulted from difficulties regarding the procurement of quarters.

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